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Commission, and would completely destroy the Commission's detergent pollution control program.

5. If past actions are taken as an indication, the Commission has consistently shown great care to exercise reasonable control. A delay in efforts to control detergent waste pollution would result in emergency conditions in certain areas of the State.

It is my understanding that the Water Pollution Control Commission has agreed to stay the effective date of its regulations concerning detergent waste until July 1, 1964.

For the reasons enumerated above, I feel compelled to veto House Bill No. 663. With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

(s) J. MILLARD TAWES.

Governor.

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House Bill No. 703—Compensation for Reclassified State Positions

AN ACT to add new Section 18A to Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Merit System," to follow immediately after Section 18 thereof, to provide that any State employee promoted through reclassification of RECLASSIFIED IN his existing job or position where such promotion involves no substantial change in his duties or responsibilities shall be paid in the same increment step of the new class of the Standard Salary Plan to which he is promoted RECLASSIFIED as he was paid in the former class from which he was promoted TRANSFERRED and to further provide that it shall not be necessary for a State employee so promoted RECLASSIFIED to serve an additional probationary period.

May 2, 1963.

Honorable Marvin Mandel Acting Speaker House of Delegates State House Annapolis, Md.

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with the provisions of Article 2, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill No. 703 and am returning this Bill along with my veto message.

This Bill proposes that State employees who are reclassified without substantial change in duties and responsibilities shall retain the same increment step in the higher class.

The State Commissioner of Personnel opposes this Bill on the following grounds:

1. Reclassifications of positions are based on significant changes in the duties and responsibilities. If the duties and responsibili-